



HOLY NAME PROVINCE JPIC PLAN OF ACTION 2012-2013

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Focus on Formation

A. JPIC Formation of the Friars

Establish a working group from the JPIC Directorate to meet with Provincial Formation Personnel to determine how JPIC work might best support their formation efforts. This action is in response to the Order's mandates from general chapters and JPIC Congresses for the JPIC Animators and Committees to be a stronger support to formation through more active collaboration.

1. Review the directions from the Ratio Formationis Franciscanae.
2. Set meeting(s) (phone and/or in-person) with the various formation bodies of HNP to determine if there are particular supports JPIC can provide to the various aspects of formation.
3. Determine some concrete actions, by spring 2013, for moving forward.

B. JPIC Formation for Hispanic-Latino Persons

Develop and implement a structured process of JPIC training for Hispanic-Latino persons. This process will be a multi-session training program that can be used in our ministries. The goal is to promote this program in coordination with the Hispanic Ministry Committee. Promotion of this program will begin at the October 2012 Encuentro Gathering.

C. JPIC Formation English-speakers

Organize more centralized set of English formation resources for HNP Ministry use.

Immigration—

- 1) Work with ministries and friaries to distribute regular "immigration myths" and facts beginning with the 2013 National Migration Week in January 2013.
- 2) Continue work with the USCCB's Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc. (CLINIC) to produce/distribute a resource to friars and ministries on how best to offer legal direction to immigrants. In particular, work with them on the "DREAM deferment" information.
- 3) Following the 2012 Elections, work with Justice for Immigrants and other immigration reform advocates to: a) develop a strategy to pass comprehensive immigration reform on a national level and b) work at a state level to insure that immigrants are supported and not vilified and punished.
- 4) Encourage local parishes/schools to host "border crossings" or "transforming encounters;" experiences that allow for personal sharing among immigrants and those born in the U.S. The JPIC Office and Hispanic Ministry Committee will re-distribute available resources in 2013.
- 5) Offer support to the Hispanic Ministry Committee for the October 20, 2012 Encuentro Celebration hosted at St. Camillus Parish.

Care for Creation

- 1) Develop a process to promote and utilize the "Franciscan Statement on Climate Change" in HNP ministries.
- 2) Work with allies to determine how HNP ministries can best be engaged in conversations and advocacy regarding energy and the environment.

- a. Issue areas to include hydraulic fracture mining, oil and gas subsidies, and campaigns for sustainable and renewable energy development.
 - b. Allies in this area include the USCCB and the Catholic Coalition on Climate Change.
- 3) Carry out the plan, encouraging our colleges and campus ministries to engage students, staff and faculty in creative action for advocacy on climate change.
 - a. Fall 2012—With Catholic Coalition on Climate Change and FAN, promote screenings of the “Sun Come Up.”
 - b. Promote this film in our ministry’s youth groups as well.
 - c. January-February 2013 - Hold organizational webinar to prepare for Power Shift 2013 or similar spring 2013 gathering.
 - d. Determine next steps with student leaders for fall 2013 and beyond.
- 4) Actively promote the July 2013 Franciscan Amazon Day. In addition to prayer resources, provide short educational resources on the plight of the Amazon and its people.
- 5) Send regular “Franciscan care for creation” stories that present Franciscan positions on a variety of challenges related to the environment and amplify successful examples of the Franciscan response to the ecological crisis. These resources will be designed so our ministries can include the stories in their bulletins, newsletters and websites.

Peacemaking-Spirit of Assisi-Interfaith Dialogue

- 1) With the interfaith dialogue working group, host one inter-religious parish retreat in 2012-2013. Once this pilot is established, determine ways to promote the program in the wider Province.
- 2) Explore ways to take an active role in the Shoulder to Shoulder Campaign. (This effort might be coordinated with the wider English Speaking Conference.)
- 3) Determine strategies to increase active HNP participation in Israel-Palestine peacemaking efforts.
 - a. Work particularly close with Tent of Nations.
 - b. Determine how the grass root efforts of CMEP can be better integrated into to our ministries.
- 4) Promote resources for October 27, 2012 - Anniversary of the Spirit of Assisi—materials will be simpler for 2012—prayers for civility in the election and its aftermath, for use at mass and in daily prayer around the anniversary date.

The Federal Budget and Care for the Poor

- 1) Continue active participation in coalitions to promote a preferential option for the poor being a guiding principal in federal, state and local government budget processes.
 - a. Allies will continue to include: WISC-“Faithful Budget Campaign,” Ecumenical Advocacy Days, USSCB, FAN, Bread for the World and others.
 - b. After the elections, advocacy directions will be clearer.
- 2) Continue to encourage active participation in 2013 Ecumenical Advocacy Days. This year’s focus is on food justice and security, with a strong link to the federal budget. Particular attention should be made to encourage ministries to invite people who are actively involved in direct service ministries related to food.
- 3) Work with Franciscan scholars and practitioners to produce a resource on a “Franciscan view of the economy.” This resource can assist HNP in presenting its perspective in a more affirmative way, as opposed to solely “advocating against budget cuts.”
- 4) Create two additional “Election Resources” that bring the Catholic and Franciscan perspective to the decision-making process.